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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants– Prohibition & Excise Department - Allegations of connivance with Ganja smugglers and corruption against Sri M. Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Gajuwaka, Visakhapatnam district and two(2) other P&E officials – Kept under suspension – Common disciplinary proceedings initiated - Sri M.Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent was expired on 05.06.2022 – Further action abated - Suspension period regularized – Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.209 **Dated: 21.02.2024**

Read the following:-

1. From the Commissioner of Proh & Excise Lr.Cr.No.6892/2017/CPE/SR-I, Dated:25.09.2019.
2. Commr. of Proh.& Excise Progs Cr.No.6892/2017/CPE/SR-I, Dated 16.11.2017.
3. Govt. Memo. No. CPE0CPEV (DISC)/7/2019-VIG-IV, Rev (Vig.IV.2) Dept., Dated.15.12.2020.
4. From the Commr of Proh.&Excise Lr.Cr.No.891/2023/CPE/SR-I, Dated 18.04.2023.
5. G.O.Rt.No.730 Revenue (Vig.IV) Department, dated: 10.08.2023.
6. From the CPE, AP, Vijayawada Lr.Cr.No.891/2023/CPE/SR-1, dated: 20.10.2023.

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O R D E R:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above it was brought to the notice of the Government that Sri M.Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Gajuwaka, Visakhapatnam district and 2 other Prohibition & Excise officials was involved in the case of connivance with Ganja smugglers and corruption.

2. Whereas in the reference 2nd read above, Sri M.Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent has placed under suspension with effect from 16.11.2017. The criminal case is under trail. The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise has initiated common disciplinary proceedings and issued Articles of charges against them. After obtaining explanation from the charged officers, appointed Inquiring Authority and Presenting Officer for conducting inquiry into the charges framed against the charged officers. As the two years suspension period of AOs had been completed, the Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise has sent a proposal to the Government for reviewing their suspension.

3. Whereas, in the reference 3rd read above, the Government have reviewed the suspension of the COs and issued orders reinstating them into the service.

4. Whereas, in the reference 4th read above, the Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise while enclosing a copy of representation of Smt. Y.Madhavi W/o (Late) Sri M. Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, has informed

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that Sri M. Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent has expired on 05.06.2022. The Metropolitan Sessions Judge Cum-1 ADJ on 10.10.2022, was abated in the Ganja Case and requested to abate the disciplinary proceedings initiated in the liquor syndicate case, so as to release all terminal benefits and family pension to the deceased family as per rules. The Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise has informed that as per the enquiry report of Inquiry Authority, the charges are held proved against him and enquiry report was communicated to him for remarks, but he has not submitted any representation during his life time as he was in coma from 17.03.2021 to till his death on 05.06.2022.

5. Whereas, in the reference 5th read above, Government have issued orders abating further action against Sri M. Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent (the then Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Anakapalli), who expired on 05.06.2022, in the criminal proceedings issued in the liquor syndicate case of Visakhapatnam District in terms of Rule-9(7)(a) of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980, subject to recovery of loss, if any, caused to the Government.

6. Whereas in the reference 6th read above, the Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise has informed that Sri M. Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent was kept under suspension on 16.11.2017 and he was reinstated into service on 22.12.2022. The Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise has requested the Government to issue orders regularization of suspension period from 17.11.2017 to 23.12.2020 against Sri M. Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, who expired on 05.06.2022 as further action against him was abated by the Government.

7. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby order to regularize the suspension period of Sri M.Ravindra Prasad, Assistant Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, who expired on 05.06.2022, from 17.11.2017 to 23.12.2020 as on duty under FR 54 (B) (2).

8. The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada is requested to take further necessary action accordingly.

9. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance (HR-IV & FR&LR) Department vide their U.O.No.FIN01-HR0RSPE/1/2024-HR-IV, Dated: 14.01.2024.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. RAJAT BHARGAVA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
Smt.Y.Madhavi, W/o late Sri M.Ravindra Prasad, AP&ES
(through the Commissioner of P&E, AP, Vijayawada)
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